## News from the Wyoming Department of Health

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## **Sweetwater County WIC Office Temporarily Closed for Move**

The Wyoming Department of Health announced today the Sweetwater County Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program Office is moving into a new Rock Springs location over the next week.

To accommodate the move, the current local WIC office will be closed January 25-29. The new program offices will open on February 1 at 2620 Commercial Way Suite #40.

Sweetwater County WIC program participants who have problems or concerns during the temporary office closure are encouraged to call (307) 352-6783 and leave a message. WIC staff members will be able to check messages and return calls.

The WIC program helps low-income women, infants and children by providing nutritious foods, educating families on healthy eating and referring participants to other health and social services.

WIC participants specifically include pregnant women, post partum women, breastfeeding women, infants and children up to age five. WIC also serves homeless women and children under special regulations. For families to be eligible, income levels must be at or below 185 percent of the U.S. Poverty Income Guidelines. Women and children who participate in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, also known as Food Stamps), Wyoming EqualityCare (Medicaid), and Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF, also known as POWER) programs are automatically eligible for WIC.

Hours at the new location will remain Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. through noon and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

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